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Mr. Joseph Coleman, Deputy Clerk  
Ms. Sharon Wiley, Deputy Clerk  
United States Court of Appeals  
for the Fourth Circuit  
501 United States Court House Annex  
1100 East Main Street  
Richmond, VA 23219-3517

RE: *United States v. Paulette Martin, et al.*  
4<sup>th</sup> Circuit No. 07-4059 (L) and No. 10-5301  
Successive oral arguments on September 20, 2011

Dear Mr. Coleman and Ms. Wiley:

I write in follow up to my prior calls to the Office of the Clerk, relative to the scheduling of these matters as referenced, *supra*. I regret the need to clarify this, however, I have not encountered a similar situation in the over twenty years I have practiced before the Court.

I wish to clarify the understanding of counsel for the various parties, Appellants and Appellee, that the oral arguments will be held in these matters separately, but in succession, which is to say the 20 plus 20 minutes for one appeal, followed by the 20 plus 20 minutes for the other. As lead counsel in both of these appeals, I am predicated my division of time among counsel in this fashion, and counsel for Appellee has confirmed his parallel understanding of this status.

Please be so kind as to advise me immediately if this is incorrect.

Very truly yours,

/s/

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cc: all counsel of record via ECF and direct email